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Interview Summary

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Date of Interview: 22 May 2009.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal (copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1, 8 and 26.

Identification of prior art discussed: Shelden and Spaulding.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☒ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Ways were discussed to distinguish applicant's guide tube for extending a guidewire and a blade is extendable and retractable through the opening of the shaft to cut tissue outside of the instrument from the guide tube and the blade of Shelden and Spaulding. After receipt of the amendment, further search of the prior art will be conducted.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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